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Closed Power Plants
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of power plants have been closed down in various States in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for re-starting these plants in the country and the funds proposed to be allocated for the purpose, plant-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) FOR POWER,
COAL, NEW & RENEWABLE ENERGY AND MINES

(SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) & (b) : The details of power plants which have not generated electricity during the last one year or more along with reasons of outages is Annexed.

(c) : The Government has approved a scheme to revive and improve utilization of the stranded gas based power generation capacity in the country which has been lying idle or under-utilized due to shortfall in the production of domestic natural gas in the country, by supply of Spot RLNG (e-bid RLNG) to both Stranded power plants & plants receiving domestic gas selected through a reverse e-bidding process. The other concessions envisaged under the scheme include - custom duty waiver on imported LNG; waiver of Value Added Tax, Central Sales Tax, Octroi and Entry Tax; waiver of Service Tax on regasification and transportation; reduction in pipeline tariff charges, regasification charges and marketing margin; exemption from transmission charges and losses for stranded gas based power projects & support from Power System Development Fund (PSDF), Government of India if required.

For making coal available to Thermal power plants, the Government has started separate e-auction window for power sector under which Coal India Limited (CIL) is making arrangements for conduct of forward e-auction of coal exclusively for power sector on a sustained basis, offering adequate quantities at regular intervals.

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